

Amendments to the Specification are as follows:

Please amend the paragraph beginning on page 1, line 15 and ending on page 2, line 8 as follows:

Fig. 7 is an exploded perspective view of this conventional switch having an illuminated knob. In the drawing, numeral 121 indicates a resin-made manipulating knob provided with a manipulating portion 121A and a fitting portion 121B, numeral 122 indicates a transparent circular-columnar or elliptical-columnar columnar first light guide body which is fitted in a center of the manipulating knob 121, and numeral 103 indicates a plate which is mounted on an illuminated face 122A formed on a front end of the first light guide body 122 and depicts characters of switching modes. To a rear end of the first light guide body 122, a light receiving portion 122B is provided, wherein the light receiving portion 122B is inclined by approximately 45° to guide light from below to the illuminated face 122A by reflecting the light in the axial direction and, at the same time, the light receiving portion 122B is curved upwardly to guide the light to the illuminated face 122A by reflecting light from below substantially perpendicularly in response to a rotating angle in a given range. In the manipulating knob 121, at a position below the light receiving portion 122B, an opening which is configured to open only within a rotary range of the manipulating knob 121 is formed.

Please amend the paragraph on page 8, line 26 as follows:

Figs. 8A and 8B ~~is~~ are front views of an essential part of the switch.